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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/674,239	Applicant(s) THONN ET AL.	
	Examiner Ricky D. Shafer	Art Unit 2872	

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 September 2003.
 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-11 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-9 is/are allowed.
 6) ☒ Claim(s) 11 is/are rejected.
 7) ☒ Claim(s) 10 is/are objected to.
 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 29 September 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Marchant ('616).

Marchant discloses a method of turning a beam of radiation of a predetermined wavelength through an angle of 90 degrees using a prism comprising providing a prism (P) having a opposed first (the light entrance face) and second (the internal reflecting face) faces and a third face (the light exiting face) connecting the first and second faces; and directing the beam of radiation into the first face at Brewster's angle and causing the beam to be refracted and then reflected by total internal reflection at the second face and exiting the prism via the third face at Brewster's angle, with the angles of the prism faces with respect to each other being selected so that the angle at which the beam exits the prism is about 90 degrees offset from the angle at which the beam enters the prism. Note Figures 4 to 7 along with the associated description thereof.

3. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities:

On page 4, line 4 of the specification, "Reflecting face 16" should be changed to – Reflecting face 14--.

Appropriate correction is required.

4. Claim 10 is objected to because of the following informalities:

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In claim 10, line 6, the language about "0B," should be change to read --0B--.

Appropriate correction is required.

5. Claims 1-9 are allowed.

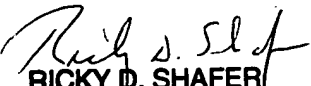
6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ricky D. Shafer whose telephone number is (571) 272-2320.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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